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Bay Of Pigs Vs. Vietnam

In your April 18 editorial, you said that the United States is involved in the Vietnam war for a purely beneficent motive, that of insuring South Vietnam the right to determine its political future without interference from the North. If we are opposed to outside interference in a nation's political affairs, then why did our CIA interfere in Cuba by organizing the Bay of Pigs invasion? The role of the CIA in supporting the Cuban refugees in 1961 was identical to that of North Vietnam today in supporting the Viet Cong. In reality we are there to protect ourselves from the unknown, the unknown to us being communism. — ROBERT BOKER, 2140 Cambridge-blvd.